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BORIS THE SPIDER

A Journal of Duplicitous Doings, Raw Power, and Naked Greed

"Oh, what a tangled web we weave
When first we practice to deceive."

---Sir Walter Scott---



9 Apr 95

HAPPY PASSOVER/EASTER

And to those pagans out there, festive vernal equinoctial festivities.

On my recent foray into suburban Dayton, I picked up GUERRILLA (\$15.95 at the BX), COLONIAL DIPLOMACY and the IRONCLADS EXPANSION SET (\$55 and \$56 less 10% at Book World on Dayton-Yellow Springs Road). IRONCLADS only cost me \$9 back in 1979 or '80. I've never played it. Am I getting stupid, or what? The other game store I found in the area was 'The Tin Soldier'. List price on games, but a better selection. They even had three copies of 'Once upon a Time'.

The general consensus of our 1829 applicants was that they'd rather play 1830 or 1835 if they'd have their druthers. They have.

Those of you using E-mail should take note that the 'UL1' part of my Eglon e-mail address will no longer work.

Betting booths are open for one Game Turn in CIRCUS MAXIMUS. Newcomers may bet up to 10,000 sestercea (s) in 100 a multiples. Odds are posted on p 16.

BORIS'S BULLETIN BOARD

Thought for the Month: Destruction of the enemy's military forces is in reality the object of all combats.

---Carl von Clausewitz

Mark Frueh Reports: 'Vengeance is Mine' Gamestart. So far only one confirmed ticketed passenger...John Butitta and the engine owner - Paul Bolduc...I do want to get the engine moving with a minimum of 4 players (but we have room for 4 more passengers). Perhaps a full compliment next month.

Charles Bahl's *Declination*, a 'zine dedicated to HISTORY OF THE WORLD, is closing up shop with the next issue. All HOTW enthusiasts will want to get a copy of Vol 1, #3 for the 'Persistence of Culture' variant provided therein.

Brad Wilson, DIPdom's G.K. Chesterton look alike, will again be sponsoring ShoreCon, a week of gaming, comradeship, gaming, drinking, gaming, sunburning, gaming, and very little sleep, 31 May-7 Jun a block away from the ocean 1748 Avalon Ave, Avalon, NJ. Drop in for 'a week, a day, a weekend, or whatever time one can spare.' Cost? Well, chip in for food and drink, shared beach passes, and incidentals. Contact Brad at his Paoli address. Who knows, perhaps the legendary Flapjack McHugh will resurface.

It's Runestone Poil time again. You'll find a copy of the ballet between pp 10 and 11. Fill it out if you're so inclined. Use it to line your birdcage otherwise.

BOOS & KUDOS

This month's Madame Bolduc Press Excellence Award goes to Ron Fisher for his 'Radio Moscow' piece in 'Boris VII'.

There will be a Mo Nar Super-Seddy Bomb this month. It may still be Lent, but it won't be when you get this. It goes to Mike Klausutis for delay of 'zine with his MERCANT OF VENUS unorders.

PERSONAL MESSAGE MAY FOLLOW:

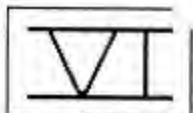
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PEACE FAILS!

England Strengthens!

Fall 1912



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WALL STREET JOURNAL—The second Peace Plan was short lived, and in truth probably had less a chance of passing than did the first. The Russian position is noticeably collapsing, but whatever progress Austria makes in the East, England deprives him of in the West. It is still Austria's game to win, but neither the Duke or the Tsar intend to let it be easy.

TROOP MOVEMENTS

Russian A BUD retreated to SIL.

AUS (Morrison): [A Par H](r-???) [A Boh-Mun] [A Ber-Sil] [A Mun-Ruh] [A Pru-War] [A Gal S A Pru-War] [F Por S F Spa(sc)] [F Spa(sc)] S F Por [F Adr-Ion] [F Aeg-Con] [F Bul(sc)] S F Aeg-Con] [A Ser-Rum] [A Bud S A Ser-Rum] [A Nap H] [A Bur S A Par] [ENG (York): F StP (ac)-Lyn] [F Bal S A Kie] [A Kie S RUS A Sil-Pru](imp, neo) [A Ruh-Bur] [F Nth H] [F Eng S F Mid] [F Naf-Wes] [F Mid S F Naf-Wes] [A Bre S A Pic-Par] [A Pic-Par] [F Bel H]

RUS (Anderson): [A Ukr S A War] [A Rum-Bul](r-???) [A War H] [A Sil S ENG A Ruh-Mun] (neo) [F Tun H] [F Con S A Rum-Bul] [A Ank-Smy] [F Bla S F Con]

The proposed draw fails 2 "Yes", 1 "Nay", unanimous approval being necessary.

Orders in brackets fail; d = unit destroyed due to lack of valid retreat; imp = impossible; neo = unit not so ordered; nap = no such plate; nsu = no such unit; oth = off the board; otm = unit on the move; r-??? = unit is dislodged; u = unordered. Austrian A PAR must retreat oth or to GAS. Russian A RUM must retreat oth or to SEV.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART

AUS: Bud Tri Ser Nap Rum Ven Via Gre Spa Mun -Par Ber Mar Por Bul +Rum (15) even *
ENG: Edi Lon Lpl Hol Nwy Bel Kie SIP Den Swe Bre +Par (12) Build 1
RUS: Mos Sev War Con Smy Ank -Rum Tun (7) Tear 1 **

* If Austria retreats A PAR oth, may build 1.

** If Russia retreats A RUM oth, is even.

Due next time are orders for the retreats, Winter build/tears, and for Spring 1913.

CLASSIFIEDS

No Press again. You know who will be displeased.

ALDA-CHUR

FALL 1912 ACTION: The kroner held steady, the pound climbed to \$12 while the ruble dropped to \$7.

Company	\$	Kroner	Pounds	Rubles	Value
RVE	9	200	100	0	\$4209
WOMEX	1	0	333	0	\$3997
PRB	0	0	331	0	\$3972
NEWBOT	4	192	0	74	\$3402
USED	0	183	20	0	\$2985
RETW	2293	0	0	0	\$2293
CCH	1	30	0	0	\$1201
FROG	10	72	0	0	\$1105
MT	0	0	0	0	\$ 0

LEGEND: CCH = Corporation for Currency Holding, FROG = Federal Reserve Option and Guarantee, NEWBOT = Neenan World Board of Trade, PRB = People's Revolutionary Bank, RETW = Retired Wayne, RVE = RV Exchange, USED = Uranian Circus Exchange & Depository, WOMEX = Wordelmann's Monetary Exchange.

The Alda-Chur Bourse is open next season.



FRANCE LIVES!! TURKEY TAKES HIT!

VII

Fall 1907

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MURKWOOD: Several investing houses let out audible sighs of relief when word arrived that Colonel-for-Life Fruch had reestablished the Duchy of Warsaw. That would be two more sessions to unload (presumably) soon-to-be-worthless francs. Meanwhile, Austria is hanging in there with all the ferocity of a moonshiner guarding his still from the Tazman. Turkey needs to reexamine her alliance status. Meanwhile Italy has broken through to the broad Atlantic only to find itself outnumbered 3-2 by the Royal Navy. But where does the Kriegsmarine stand, Germany having annexed NWY, a British protectorate in the process of threatening STP, the Tsar's biggest threat to British security?

TROOP MOVEMENTS

Austrian A VIZ retreated to TRI while A UKR retreated to RUM.

AUS (J. Shacklett): A Tri-Ser, A Bud S A Tri-Ser, A Rum-Bul

ENG (Hanna): F Nrg-Nat, (F Eng-Bre), (F Bre-Mid), F Mid-Spa(sc), F Por S F Mid-Spa(sc), (A Gae-Mar).

FRA (Freuh): A Gal-War;

GER (Morrison): A Mun H, A Ruh-Bei, A Hol-Nwy, F Nth C A Hol-Nwy, (A Fin-StP), F Swe S A Hol-Nwy;

ITA (York): (F Spa(sc)-Mar)(r-???), F Wee S F Naf-Mid, F Naf-Mid, (A Par-Gae), A Ven-Tri, F Ion H, F Nap S F Ion;

RUS (Carbonneau): A Tri-Tri, A Ukr S A Sev-Rum, (F Bot-StP(sc)), A Vie S A Tri-Tri, A Sev-Rum;

TUR (Anderson): (A Alb-Tri), F Con-Aeg, (A Ser S A Alb-Tri)(d), F Aeg-Ore, F Eas S F Con-Aeg, A Ank-Con.

Orders in brackets fail, d = unit destroyed due to lack of valid retreat; imp = impossible; nou = not own unit, nso = unit not so ordered; nsp = no such place; nsu = no such unit; oth = off the board; atm = unit on the move; r-??? = unit is dislodged and must retreat; u = unordered. Italian F SPA(sc) must retreat either oth or to LYO.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART

AUS: -Tri-War-Vie +Bud +Bul +Ser
ENG: Edi Len Lpl -Nwy Bre Por +Spa
FRA: -Bel +War
GER: Ber Kie Den Hol Swe Mun +Bel +Nwy
ITA: Nap Rom Ven Tur -Spa Mer Par
RUS: Mos Sev Rum -Bud StP +Tri +Vie
TUR: Ank Con Smy -Bul Gre -Ser

(3) Even
(6) Even
(1) Even
(8) Build 2
(6) Tear 1*
(6) Build 1
(4) Tear 1

* If F LYO retreats oth, Italy need not tear a unit.

Due next time are the retreat, build/tears and orders for Spring 1908.

EMBASSY BEAT

MOSCOW-BERLIN. Why are you moving north seeming to attack Russia?

MOSCOW-VIENNA: Surrender to the Turkish and Russian forces. We will treat your troops and people fairly.

BORIS WORLD PRESS REVIEW

Austrian Reporter (Budapest)--Austrian tourist agencies are starting to cancel Russian reservations in response to the cancellation of many Austrian reservations in UKR and MOS. When asked by this news agency why the cancellation war, one Austrian said, "Never could trust a Russian with a ruble."

Pravda--Italian diplomats have falsely spread rumors of Russia/Turkish attacking Austria when in truth Austria attacked us and we defended.

BOLDHOME

FALL 1907 Action

PRB sells 500 francs and 100 piasters then buys 1000 crowns, 2700 pounds, 2000 marks and 3000 lira. (\$7956+430+83-390-2731-2280-2520 = \$3).

CHUCK sells 500 crowns, 500 francs, and 400 rubles, then buy 1000 lira and 500 piasters (\$12+445+430+410-840-440 = \$27).

RVE sells 500 crowns, 500 francs, 500 marks, and 500 lira, then buys 500 pounds and 1500 rubles (\$360+445+480+570+420-515-1260 = \$450).

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WORMTONGUE SNAGS 3 MORE! FRENCH SURVIVE!

VIII

Fall 1984

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CLIFFHANGER--With what dark, dastardly secret does Wormtongue hold the Italian government in thrall? Surely it is not a promise of 2nd place as History shows in "Boris IV" when Lord Devon's Italian government preferred too naked a back. The last anti-Austrian hope meekly slunk back to VEN. It will surely face two Austrian units come Spring. Can anything stop the Red Leviathan now that Italy has squandered the opportunity and returned to toadyish vassaldom? Certainly not the Turks whose last center is a ripe date to pluck. Not the Russians, who will need Wormtongue's support to survive English raids. Not the homeless French. Not the fleeing Germans, seduced by Italian promises of French spoils. Not the British who have German and Italian pirates poised to plunder her shores. Nor now Italy who may soon see her Mediterranean naval supremacy evaporate.

TROOP MOVEMENTS

French A BUR retreated to BEL; French F MID to NAF; Turkish A SBY retreated to ANK.

AUS (Fryling): A Smy S A Bul-Con, F Aeg-Gre, A Bul-Con, A Rum H, A Mos S RUS A StP, A Cal-Sil, A War-Pru, A Sil-Mun, A Boh S A Sil-Mun, A Tri S A Sil-Mun;

ENG (Anderson): A New S A Edi-StP, F Bar C A Edi-StP, F Eng S ITA A Gaa-Bre, F Nrg C A Edi-StP, F Mid-Par, [A Edi-StP];

FRA (Rezsarday): A Bel-Hol, [F NAF-Tun];

GER (Carbonneau): A Mun S A Ruh, A Ruh S A Pic-Bel, F Nth S A Pic-Bel, A Pic-Bel, A Ber S A Mun;

ITA (Zodde): A Mar-Bur, A Bur-Par, A Gaa-Bre, A Tri-Ven, [F Ion-Tun], F Wes-Mid, F Spa(sc) S F Wes-Mid;

RUS (R. Fisher): A StP H, F Bot S A StP;

TUR (Morrison): A Ank H.

Orders in brackets fail d = unit destroyed due to lack of valid retreat; imp = impossible; neo = unit not so ordered; nsp = no such place; ntu = no such unit; oth = off the board; otm = unit on the move; (u) = unit unordered. German A MUN must retreat oth or to KIE.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART

AUS: Bud Tri Vie Gre Ser Bul Con Rum Ser War+Mos+Mun+Smy

ENG: Edi Lon Lpl New -StP Ser+Par

FRA: -Bre -Par -Hol

GER: Ber Kie Den -Hol Bel

ITA: Nap Rom Ven Tun Mor Spa -Mun +Bre +Par

RUS: -Mos -Ank +StP

TUR: -Smy +Ank

- (10) Build 3
- (6) Build 1
- (1) Tear 1
- (4) Tear 1 *
- (8) Build 1
- (1) Tear 1
- (1) Even

* If Germany retreats A MUN oth, is even.

Due next time are orders for the retreats and orders for Fall 1904

EMBASSY BEAT

BERLIN to ITALY: Distrust is mounting daily about your worth as an ally and unless you make way for me to capture two French supply centers soon, well, you conjecture

VIENNA: The Archduke expressed deep regret of the Italian invasion of Trieste but refused to take any action that could aggravate the situation. "We will take no aggressive action against a nation who has been such a long-time and faithful ally," he said. "We can only hope that the King will regain his noble faculties and seek peace once again. There can be no other choice--we will do no harm to our true friends."

In other news, the government announced a new program to bring peace and prosperity to Western Europe just as is now being enjoyed in the east (if the Archduke overlooks the barbarian lands in the southeast. Expansion of the Archduke's influence to promote peace into the former German territories is underway. "With our people bringing culture and the Italians bringing the wine and pasta we shall truly have a world where all persons of noble character (aka, Austrians and Italians) can relax in peace and gluttony," said Wormtongue.

BORIS WORLD PRESS REVIEW

Berlin Herald--Lesson to be learned in life is beware of backstabber who first claims to be a victim of a backstabber.

Radio Moscow--When we last saw our heroes, the Tsar had fled to the Orient and his surrender will probably shorten the Russo-Japanese conflict in that region. Meanwhile,
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Europe Girds for War! Clearwine BOURSE Rules Promulgated

IX

Winter 1900

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CLEARWINE: As tensions rise in the international arena, so would the tempo of trading in currencies of the Great Powers on the floor of the Clearwine Bourse but for that unfortunate hissy-fit by the Stormwalker's Cult that flooded the exchange. So far only two traders have registered with the Clearwine Money Changers Guild, but as the tensions in Europe heat up, others will surely try to make a fortune off of other people's misery. It's only human, although the dragonwets have been known to do it too.

TROOP GARRISONS

AUS (K. Wilson): A Bud, A Vie, F Tri/
ENG (Zodda): A Lpl, F Edi, F Lon/
FRA (Gorham): A Mar, A Par, F Bre;
GER (Carbonneau): A Ber, A Mun, F Kie/
ITA (Asfeld): A Rom, A Ven, F Nap/
RUS (Melnick): A Mos, A War, F Sev, F StP(ac)
TUR (Deb Osborne): A Con, A Smy, F Ank.

RULES FOR CLEARWINE BOURSE

The game is open to all but those who are playing 'Boris IX'. [Close relatives thereof can play but must plot a move in advance to offset an 'insider information' advantage Boris and Ms Nar may or may not play, but Boris cannot win. Ms Nar will do whatever she pleases...]

Each player starts with 1000 units of the currencies presently in the game (at start, Austrian crowns, English pounds, French francs, German marks, Italian lira, Russian rubles, and Turkish piasters). New players may start at any time. Each currency starts at \$1/unit. For every even 100 units of currency that are bought or sold in a turn, the currency's value rises or drops by \$0.1. Fractions are carried over. [For every foreign center captured/lost that season, the price goes up/down \$0.05, loss/recapture of a home center sends the price down/up \$0.10.] Minimum price of a currency is \$0.1 unless the country is eliminated, then the price is \$0. Players may not buy on margin, but may hold dollars. A player may never sell more than 500 units of a currency at a time. [Exception: If a standby player assumes an NMR position, his/her assets are immediately converted to dollars with no adjustment to the Bourse--think of it as he's been bought out and the new investors will hold.] The Clearwine Bourse is never closed. [Reported values will be rounded to the nearest dollar until space permits fractions. At game's end, whoever has the highest dollar value wins]

WARNING: Sections in brackets differ from the BOLDHOME rules.

EXAMPLE: Rubles start at \$1.00. Total sales are 750 and total buys are 1210; the ruble will go up \$0.04 (1210-750 = 460 rounded down).

---*BORIS VIII* (continued from facing p4)

in Moscow. Foreign Minister Fisher is desperately packing his bags when the War Minister enters. "Master Fisher"

"What?" exclaimed Fisher, his hands shooting up in the air. "The check is in the mail! He was dead when I got there! I wasn't even in town that night..." Turning around, "Oh it's you! Don't do that!"

"Sir, our army has captured St Petersburg with the assistance of the Navy!"
"Oh, the tide is turning!" Fisher cried, clasping his hands together. "With StP and MOS we can..."

"Sorry Sir, but the Austrians are at Moscow's gates now and our defenders are falling fast."

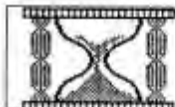
"Good heavens, man. Pull yourself together and help me finish packing! Is my carriage ready? We've got to get going or I'll never make it to 'Boris XI'!"

And we leave our heroes desperately stuffing the Kremlin's treasured art and gold into burlap sacks. Tune in next time for another chapter of "As the Worm Turns"

CLASSIFIEDS

Con-man, backstabber, vulture awaiting his friends to die in order to reap the awards his friends help him with no reciprocal support!

Let the vultures DIG IN!



INSHULLANA

EPOCH II

1400-450 BC



ERRATA: The Black fleet is in the EMS, not WMS.

THE CAST:

David Anderson (G - Green)
Rudy Zappa (O - Orange)
Michael Tsuk (B - Black)

Daniel Farrow (R - Red)
Dabbie Osborne (A - Azure)
Marcel Carbonneau (P - Purple)

THE BOARD:

AI: EGH, Lin(C,M), Uln, WDe, AVIF: EAn(C,M), Lev, Zag,
BI: Cre(C), Lib, WAn,
GI: Hin, PPI, PSD, Tur
OI: Ara, Nil(C,M), Nub, Pal, UNi
PI: LTI(c), MTI(C,F)
RI: GPC, Wei, Yel(3,C,F)
Fleets: Red(O), EMS(B).

SCORE (SP/VP): A(4/12), B(4/6), P(4/5), R(4/4), O(5/10), G(5/3).

EPOCH II:

Azure kept. Black passed to Orange. Purple kept. Red passed to Black. Orange passed to Red. Green had to keep.

ASSYRIA (P): Play 1A,C,F @ UTI, 1A @ Lev (3,3,3; 5,3,4 -1AVI). 1A @ Pal (4,2,4; 6,5,4 -1OI). Play "Fanaticism", then 2A @ Nil (2,3,6; 5,4,2 -1PII,1OI,C +c). 2A @ Nub (3,2,6; 4,3,5 -2PII). Score: 5 + C(2x2) + c(2) + M(1) + Mid E(D=6) + N Af(P=2) = 20.

CHON DYNASTY: No show.

PHOENICIA (RI): Play 1A,C @ Lev (1PII-UTI). 1F @ EMS (6,4,1 -1BF). 1A @ Bal.

VENIC CITY STATES (RI): Play 1A,C,M @ Uln (1AIr-WDe). Play 1A @ Lin (3,1,8; 6,5,2 -1AI,C +c). "Treachery" & 1A @ WDe (-2AI). 1A @ EGH (5,5,4,1 -1AI). 1A @ Uln. Score: 4 + C(3x2) + c(1) + M(2) + S(1) + Mid E(P=3) + China(D=4) + India (D=4) + S Eur (P=2) = 23.

GREEK CITY STATES (A): Play "Population Explosion" and "Kingdom in UNI" (+1A,C,F). Play 1A,C,M @ Mor, 4A @ Bal (4,2,6; 4,2,6,2; 2,2,6,2; 6,3,5,2 -3AII,1RI). 1A @ Dal, CEu, NAp, CMa, and 1F @ EMS (6,5,3 -1RF). Score: 12 + C(2x2) + c(1) + M(1) + S(1) + Mid E(P=3) + N Afr(P=2) + S Eur(D=4) = 26.

SCYTHIANS (O): Play "Plague" on UTI (6,6,2,1; 6,5,4,2 -1PII). Play 1A @ Ceu, 1A @ EAn (6,5,5,5 -1AVI,C +c). 1A @ Zag (6,6,3 -1AVI). 1A @ PSD (6,2,6; 6,5,3 -1OI). 1A @ Lin (6,1,2 -1RI,c). 1A @ UTI (6,5,5+1; 6,4,3+1 -1PII,F,C +c). 1A @ Lev (3,3,5 -1GII). Score: 10 + c(2) + M(2) + S(1) + Mid E(D=6) + N Afr(P=2) + India(P=2) = 25.

CARTHAGINA (G): Play 1A,C,M @ Sha, 1F @ WMS, 1A @ Sil, 1A @ Lib (5,1,4 -1BI). 3A @ Nil (2,2,6; 4,1,5; 5,2,3 -2GII,1PII,c). 1A @ Nub (5,5,2 -1OI). Score: 3 + C(1x2) + M(2) + S(1) + Mid E(P=3) + N Af(D=4) + India(P=2) + S Eur(P=2) = 19.

PERSIA (B): Play "Leader". Play 1A,C,M @ PPI (1GIIr-Hin). 1A @ Hin (6,5,2,5; 5,4,3,1 -2GI). 1A @ Zag (2,2,1,2; 3,3,2,2 -1OI). 3A @ EAn (5,3,1,5; 4,1,1,6; 4,3,3,5; 6,2,2,1 -2BI,1OI,c). 1F @ Bja, 1A @ Lev (6,2,2,2 -1RI,C +c). 1A @ Pal (6,6,3,5 -1PII). 1A @ Nil (6,5,1,6; 6,6,4,5 -1GII). 1A @ UTI (6,3,2,2 -1OI,c). 2A @ MTI (6,5,4,6+1; 5,2,1,1+1 -1BI,1PII,F,C +c). 1A @ LTI (5,2,1,1 -1PI,c). 1A @ PSD (6,5,1,6; 6,5,4,1 -1OI). Score: 6 + C(2x2) + c(2) + M(3) + S(1) + Mid E(D=6) + N Afr(P=2) + India(P=2) + S Eur(P=2) = 28.

SCORE (SP/VP): R(10/23), O(12/25), P(12/26), A(13/26), G(13/19), B(19/28).

Due next time are your pass/keep orders for Epoch III. You have drawn _____. The passing order is right above. Orders for the Celts, Macedonians, and Mauryans from our snail-mailers would be appreciated. E-mailers will be notified ASAP.

THE BOARD:

AI: UNi(c,F), AII: Bal, CEu, CMa, Dal, Mor(C,M), NAp, Pin

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REVENGE IS SWEET DIESELS DIDN'T WAIT! THE END IS NEAR!



ERRATA:

PLAYER STATUS: (* = at Certificate limit of 11, underlined don't count towards limit)

Quiet 4471, 6 B&O(Prez), 6 Erie(Prez), 1 CP, 1 NYNH&H, 1 NYC
 Hanna* 51998, 6 C&O(Prez), 6 B&M(Prez), 1 NYC, 1 CP
 R. Fisher 5831, 6 NYNH&H(Prez), 7 NYC(Prez), 2 B&O(VP)
 Chinnery* 51333, 5 PA(Prez), 2 NYNH&H, 2 C&O, 3 B&M(VP) <Priority>
 Bullitt* 51417, 5 PA(VP), 2 C&O, 1 NYNH&H, 1 B&M, 2 CP(VP)
 Morrison 5174, 6 CP(Prez), 1 NYC, 1 Erie, 1 B&M

CORPORATION STATUS:

Company	Value	Pool	Bank	For	Cash	Trains	Tokens
PA	A325	0	0	n/a	\$4	45	H12,H16,H18,(1)
C&O	B200	0	0	n/a	\$280	46	P6,H10,H16
CP	A160a	0	0	n/a	\$390	5	A18,(3)
B&M	A180b	0	0	n/a	\$44	5	E23,E19
B&O	D130	2	0	n/a	\$55	6	I15,H18,G19N
NYNH&H	H67	0	0	n/a	\$46	6	G19N,F22
Erie	D54	0	3	\$71	\$731	4	E115,(2)
NYC	J50	0	0	n/a	\$419	4	E19,G19N,(2)

OPERATING ROUND 9.1

PA: Run 115-H16-G17-G19N (\$190) & F2-H4-H10-H16-H18 (\$230). Pay dividends (DC +\$210, JB +\$210); so price soars to A350.

C&O: Lay tile #43 in D16(ne). Run F2-H4-H10-H15 (\$200) & 115-H16-F16-G17-G19-H18 (\$270). Pay dividends (CCH +\$282, DC +\$84, JB +\$84), so price moves to B220.

CP: Lay tile #25 in D16(w). Play token in F18 (\$380-40 = \$340). Run H16-F16-G17W-G19S-H18 (\$210). Pay dividend (WMM +\$126, JB +\$42, MQ +\$21, CCH +\$21). Price goes to A180.

B&M: Run G19N-E19-F16-G17-G19S (\$240). Pay dividends (CCH +\$144, DC +\$48, JB +\$48); price goes to A180b.

B&O: Run K13-J14-I15-I18-H18-G19S (\$270). Pay dividends (MQ +\$162, RF +\$54, B&O +\$54); price jumps to C150.

NYNH&H: Run E19-G19N-F20-F22-F24-E23 (\$230). Pay dividends (RBF +\$138, DC +\$46, JB +\$23, MQ +\$23); price creeps to H68.

ERIE: Lay #27 in F14(sw). Run D10-E11 (\$100). Withhold; price drops to D48. Buy Diesel with 4-train trade-in (\$731-100-800 = \$31). All 4-trains scrapped.

NYC: No train so no run; price drops to J40. Buy diesel using \$681 of the Prez's cash (\$419+\$81-1100 = \$40).

OPERATING ROUND 9.2

PA: Run F2-H4-H10-H16-H18 (\$230). Pay dividends (DC +\$115, JB +\$115); price topped at A350.

C&O: Run 115-H16-F16-G17-G19-H18 (\$270). Pay dividends (CCH +\$162, DC +\$54, JB +\$54), so price moves to B240.

CP: Lay tile #57 in B16(ne). Run H16-F16-G17W-G19S-H18 (\$210). Pay dividend (WMM +\$126, JB +\$42, MQ +\$21, CCH +\$21). Price goes to A200.

B&M: Run G19N-E19-F16-G17-G19S (\$240). Pay dividends (CCH +\$144, DC +\$48, JB +\$48); price goes to A200b.

B&O: Lay tile 70 on E15(ne). Run K13-J14-I15-I18-H18-G19S (\$270). Pay dividends (MQ +\$162, RF +\$54, B&O +\$54); price moves to C170.

NYNH&H: Run E19-G19N-F20-F22-F24-E23 (\$230). Pay dividends (RBF +\$138, DC +\$46, JB +\$23, MQ +\$23); price rises to G89.

We pause here to wait Eric's Construction orders. Due next time are orders for the rest of OR 9.2, OR 9.3, and if necessary SR 10. Orders for ORs 10.1 through 10.3 will be cheerfully accepted also. Chinnery has the Priority Card. Don't forget to sign up with Mark Fruch for our next 1830 game.

PLAYER STATUS: (* = at Certificate limit of 11, underlined don't count towards limit)

Quiet 5885, 6 B&O(Prez), 6 Erie(Prez), 1 CP, 1 NYNH&H, 1 NYC
 Hanna* 52772, 6 C&O(Prez), 6 B&M(Prez), 1 NYC, 1 CP
 R. Fisher 5534, 6 NYNH&H(Prez), 7 NYC(Prez), 2 B&O(VP)
 Chinnery* 51994, 5 PA(Prez), 2 NYNH&H, 2 C&O, 3 B&M(VP) <Priority>
 Bullitt* 52016, 5 PA(VP), 2 C&O, 1 NYNH&H, 1 B&M, 2 CP(VP)
 Morrison 5618, 6 CP(Prez), 1 NYC, 1 Erie, 1 B&M

CORPORATION STATUS:

Company	Value	Pool	Bank	Par	Cash	Trains	Tokens
PA	A350	0	0	n/a	\$4	5	H12,H16,H18,(1)
C&O	B240	0	0	n/a	\$280	6	F6,H10,H16
CP	A2000	0	0	n/a	\$350	5	A19,F16,(2)
B&M	A2000	0	0	n/a	\$44	5	E23,E39
B&O	C185	2	0	n/a	\$163	8	I15,H18,G19N
NYNH&H	G69	0	0	n/a	\$48	8	G19N,F22
Eric	D48	0	3	\$71	\$31	D	E11S,(2)
NYC	J40	0	0	n/a	\$0	D	E19,G19N,(2)

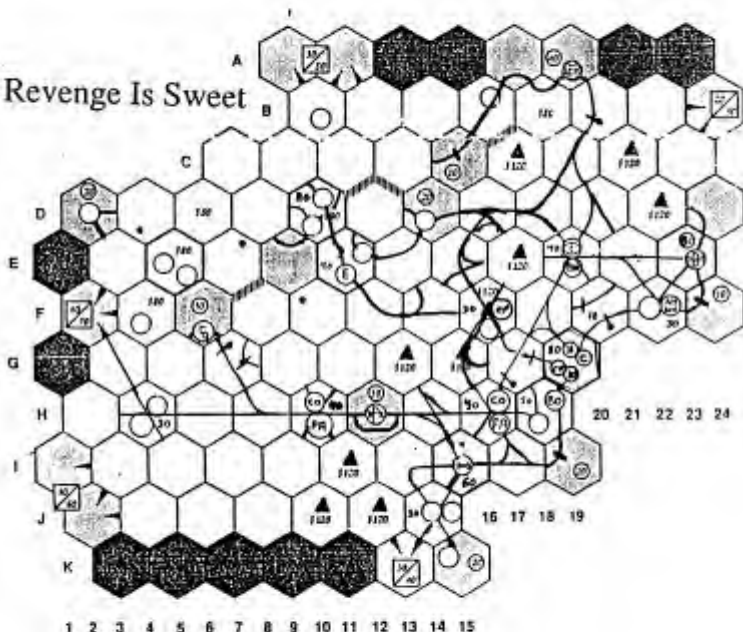
TRAINS AVAILABLE: DDDD

The Bank has \$2587.

TILES AVAILABLE:

#3(2), #4(2), #7(3), #9(7), #9(5), #15(1), #16(1), #18(1), #19(1), #20(1), #23(0), #24(2), #25(0), #26(1), #27(0), #28(0), #29(1), #39(3), #40(1), #41(1), #42(1), #43(1), #44(1), #45(2), #46(2), #55(1), #56(1), #57(2), #58(1), #59(2), #64(1), #68(0)

Revenge Is Sweet



---*Inshellana* (continued from p 7

BI: Cre(C), Wan; BII: EAn(M), Hin, Lev(c), LTi, MTi(c), Nil(M), Pal, PPI(C,M), PSD, UTi,

GI: Tur; GII: Lib, Nub, Sha(C,M), Sib.

OI: Ara; OII: Lin(M).

RI: GPC, Wei, Yel(3,C,F), RII: EOh, UIn(2,C,M), WDe

Fleets: Bla(B), EMS(A), Red(O), WMS(G).



1835 Sic Sprechent!



HANNA: As I did for 1835A, I ran some figures on the items in the initial packet for 1835B. Still nowhere near enough data to be really instructive, but it's all I know about:

Item	Price	Earned	Closed	Return	Item	Price	Earnings	Close	Return
N-F	100	312	350	662%	#1	80	367	131	623%
OB	120	382	350	610%	#2	170	653	262	538%
Pr	150	462	350	541%	#3	80	297	131	535%
L-D	190	504	340	444%	#4	160	373	262	400%
Brs	130	423	262	527%	#5	80	512	131	804%
Han	160	483	262	466%	#6	80	427	131	698%
BY	184	564	700	637%					

Congratulations to Dan for winning. His careful management of the BY kept the stock value and dividends high.

FARROW: 1835B Autopsy

This analysis is based on Chuck Hanna's work on 1835A. I used the same assumptions, namely: each was bought at face value, and was held until the end of the game, which is not true of 1835B any more than it was for 1835A, but now we have two games to base purchasing decisions on!

RR	1835B	1835A	Average	RR	1835B	1835A	Average
NF	5.62	4.31	5.27	#1	5.56	6.23	5.92
OB	5.10	4.51	4.81	#2	4.71	4.39	4.55
PR	4.41	3.94	4.15	#3	4.81	5.21	5.01
LD	4.99	6.80	5.89	#4	3.72	4.39	3.80
Braun	5.17	5.25	5.21	#5	7.31	6.28	6.80
Hann	4.00	4.58	4.29	#6	6.31	6.34	6.33
BY	5.87	4.79	5.33				

The discrepancy in performance from one game to the next can be attributed to such things as track construction and whether or not the director had another railroad (Major or Minor) with which to "play games" with locomotives.

Now on to our game. I firmly believe that the way to win in any of the 18xx games, and more so in 1835, is to buy-and-hold. Selling a RR should only be done to dump a floundering RR on some unsuspecting soul, or to avoid having it dumped on you, or to "trade up" to a better paying/higher priced RR. The percentage price increase is higher the higher the price of the stock goes. I know the temptation is to sell a high priced one to buy 2 of a lower priced one, but the dividends had better out-weigh the loss in stock value increase.

Of course, good railroadmanship is also required. I took the BY to the top (almost) by paying dividends whenever possible. The BY failed to pay only once, the SX and BA failed to pay twice during our game. And I didn't have a second RR to shuffle loco and money with.

The first big mistakes were in SR6. Chinnery sold 3 shares of the BY to start the BA, and Hanna sold a BY to buy a 2 share of BA. By selling, they missed 2 chances to increase their net worth, the BY dividend in the ensuing operating round and the corresponding BY price increase.

The next mistake happened in SR7, with Zieske selling BY to buy 2 shares of the PR. Which was 6 operating rounds before the PR started operating! (Isn't hindsight wonderful?) Just think of all that money tied up in unproductive stock! Stock that couldn't be sold, wasn't paying dividends, and was not increasing in value. Zieske finished dead last. :(

I won't go into details on other transactions, but just let me say that I was a little envious of Tsuk. He managed to nagle his 9 certificate limit into 12.5 shares! And he might have been able to increase that to 14 by selling his 5 share of PR to nationalize a 2 share certificate of OL!

It was fun. Let's do it again sometime.

FRUEH: I enjoyed the game and liked the German Game reports, although it is a little tricky when you don't know German. It was a very nice flavor to the game. I learned a few lessons while playing the game.

CHINNERY: Congratulations to Dan for well earned victory. At least I didn't end up last! I felt there was too much German, we are supposed to be playing 1835 Railroading not learning German. Just a few words is fine to create an 1835 German flavor. But do not use the German script, I found it difficult to read. The script compounded with reduction



1835
 We Begun!



SR 1

The Optional Rules:

1. 3 **Ja**, 4 Nicn, fails
2. 5 **Ja**, 2 Nicn, passes
3. 5 **Ja**, 2 Nicn, passes

Spilersstclung: (Aktienlimit = 9)

Farrow	310 M
Butitta	310 M
Fruh	310 M
Chinnery	310 M
Hare	310 M
R. Fisher	310 M
Zieske	310 M

Gesellschaftstclung:

Name	Value	Pool	I.O.	Cash	Trains	Tokens
#1			1		--	(1)
#2			1		--	(1)
#3			1		--	(1)
#4			1		--	(1)
#5			1		--	(1)
#6			1		--	(1)
BY	C92	0	10	0	--	(5)
SX	D88	0	10	0	--	(5)

Aktienrunde 1A.

Farrow buys N-F (310M-100 = 210M).

Butitta

Due next time are your orders for the rest of Aktienrunde 1 (SR 1).

made it impossible at times that I just guessed with a response.

TSUK: This was my first seven-player game of 1835, and I must admit I found it a little frustrating. Being forced into an investor role from the beginning and then having all my investments taken away from me wasn't much fun. At least the Oldenburg got a token in Hamburg!

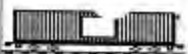
I think five players is pretty much the maximum I would be willing to play in most 18xx games.

BUTITTA: Congratulations to Dan for winning. His careful management of the BY kept the stock value and dividends high.

GM: Hmm. Dan's figures seem to be a profit/price index rather than Chuck's % return. I too found the German a pain, so we'll use it mostly for section headings. Yes, Paul's early buy of PR shares was a major blunder, but had he controlled #2 it need not have been. I also thought that the nationalization frenzy was counterproductive (except for Mikel) but expanding your certificate limit by doing so probably makes it worth it. Just do it early I guess. All in all, nicely played.

--BOLDHOME (continued from p 3)

	USA	AUS	ENG	FRA	GER	ITA	RUS	TUR	
SPR 07:	1.00	0.89	1.03	0.86	1.14	0.84	0.84	0.88	
FAL 07:	1.00	0.89	1.35	0.71	1.29	1.19	0.95	0.92	
Corp	USA	AUS	ENG	FRA	GER	ITA	RUS	TUR	Value
PRB	3	1000	27000	225	2000	3000	500	0	\$11418
RVE	450	0	1500	0	3000	1300	2000	0	\$10036
CHUCK	18	1	1100	1	1000	2600	501	1900	\$8123
CLOWNS	294	1300	2500	0	1100	0	2000	200	\$7670
Par	0	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	\$7300
TPB	31	1500	700	1100	1300	300	300	1600	\$6888
RTE	0	1000	1000	1750	500	500	500	1750	\$6808



SILVERTON

TURN 8B/9A



PLAYER STATUS

#1: Don Chinnery	\$475. (S+1, P), #60, #2(0.5 Au), P1, #11(2 Ag)
#2: Bill Wordelmann	\$1450. (S, P+1), P2, P3, #6(0.5 Au, D), #3, P7, P4
#3: Wayne Morrison	\$0. (S+1, P), #64(12 C), #26(1.5 Ag), #27
#4: Paul Zieske	\$2700. (S, P+1), P5, #52(5 C), #12
#5: Michael Quist	\$800. (S+1, P), #9(1.75 Au), #16(2 Ag), P12
#6: Dan Farrow	\$1200. (S, P+1), P6, #63(4 C), #42

AVAILABLE CLAIMS:

#8: Fairplay (Au, \$500/\$250)	#29: Lake City (Ag, \$300/\$150)
#34: Dolores (L, \$700/\$200)	#53: Craig (C, \$200/\$100)
#58: Aspen (C, \$300/\$150)	#62: Canon City (C, \$200/\$100)
Passengers Cards 8,9,10,11	The Deck

TURN 8B/9A ACTION:

- #1: Sell 1 Ag to Zieske at #11 (\$1200). Run P1 (\$180) and operate #11 (-\$250; 11 → 1.5 Ag). / Survey NNW to Leadville (-\$500). Prospect #62 (-\$200)
- #2: Run P2, P3, P4 & P7 (\$250+400+1350+600). Operate #3 (-\$200; 7 → 0.5 Au). Sell 0.5 Dillon Au (-\$2750). / Survey Leadville-Aspen (-\$1800). Prospect #56-
- #3: Do nothing. / Neither survey nor prospect.
- #4: Buy 1 Ag from Chinnery @ #11 (-\$1200). Run P5 (\$100). / Survey Provo-Heber City (-\$400). Prospect Deck (#30).
- #5: Run P12 (\$1250). / Survey E towards Aspen (-\$300). Prospect #56.
- #6: Operate #42 (-\$150; 2 → D). #63 (-\$150; 6 → 2 C) & P8 (\$600). / Survey into Denver (-\$800). Prospect Deck (#4).

DISPUTES: Wordelmann (8+1) wins dispute with Quist (7) over #56 (-\$200)

THE MARKETS:

Gold:	2+2 = nc → \$5500	Denver Silver	10-3 = nc → \$1800
SLC Silver	3 = +1 → \$2400	Denver Lumber	4-3 = +3 → \$500
SLC Lumber	12-3 = -2 → \$400	Pueblo Lumber	8-3 = +2 → \$800
SF Lumber	8-3 = +1 → \$400	Denver Coal	7-3 = +1 → \$600
SLC Coal	11-3 = nc → \$500	Pueblo Coal	11-3 = nc → \$100
SF Coal	8-3 = +1 → \$600		

PLAYER STATUS

#1: Don Chinnery	\$825. (S+1, P), #60, #2(0.5 Au), P4, #11(2.5 Ag), #62
#2: Bill Wordelmann	\$4500. (S, P+1), P2, P3, #6(0.5 Au, D), #3, P7, P4,
#3: Wayne Morrison	\$0. (S+1, P), #64(12 C), #26(1.5 Ag), #27
#4: Paul Zieske	\$1200. (S, P+1), P5, #52(5 C), #12, 1 Ag @ #11
#5: Michael Quist	\$1750. (S+1, P), #9(1.75 Au), #16(2 Ag), P12
#6: Dan Farrow	\$900. (S, P+1), P6, #63(4 C)

AVAILABLE CLAIMS:

#4: Leadville (Au, \$1200/\$300)?	#8: Fairplay (Au, \$500/\$250)
#29: Lake City (Ag, \$300/\$150)	#30: Steamboat Springs (L, \$400/\$200)?
#34: Dolores (L, \$700/\$200)	#53: Craig (C, \$200/\$100)
Passengers Cards 8,9,10,11	The Deck

Due next time are your Turn 9 update and deliver decisions for your claims, and your surveying and prospecting druthers for Turn 10.

DEFUNCT CLAIMS: #1, 10, 38, 42, 49, 87

THE MAP:

Owned routes have their prices replaced by the owning player's number. Purple (snow-blocked) routes have their price/owner # underlined. Current prices have a black dot (or arrowhead) in the appropriate box.

PRESS:

The D&B experiencing serious cash flow problems. The D&B (Denver and Boulder) RR has Silver available at Heber City, Gold at Marysville. Special terms available.



MERCHANT OF VENUS

Nillis, Eepeeep & Volois
Discovered!



The Cast:	Role	Race	Ship	Rolls This Time
Mike Quist:	Little Fuzzy	Nik	Sc	6,4,4 / 5,5,5
MikKlausutis:	Tyrone	Wynnom	Sc	6,2,2 / 6,6,6
Chris Hassler:	W.U.C.H.	Human	Sc	6,2,1 / 5,4,3
Richard Weiss:	W.E.R.D.	Quossuth	Sc	6,5,5 / 5,2,1
Don Chionery:	Gizmo	Eepeeep	Sc	5,3,1 / 5,4,2
Bill Wordelmann:	W.D.M.	Bell	Sc	5,4,2

TURN 1.6--

Little Fuzzy: (6,4,4) Base(ne)-NCS-R-SSP(se)-R-Y-R-NC4-Y-B-R-B-R-00. Glimpse 100.
 Tyrone: (6,2,2) Space Station Planet(is)-R-Y-R-NC6-R2B.
 W.U.C.H.: (6,2,1) Interstellar Biosphere-B-R(s)-B-R-Y-Base-NC6-R-SSP.
 W.E.R.D.: (6,5,5) Cobbleport(sc)-00-R-Y-B-R-B-Y-B-R-B-00-Goliath(sc); discover Nillis (1a).
 Collect 100 (\$80). Barter 100 for shield.
 Gizmo: (5,5,1) SW "B" in Cloud-SSPine)-2(R2B-\$20)-NCS-NC5-B-Y-7(TG 6)-R-00. Glimpse 100.
 W.D.M.: (5,4,2) MultiGeneration Ship. Remain. Trade 100 for Shield, buy 1 Mulch Wine (-\$20).
 Little Fuzzy: (5,5,3) Wet Landing (00)-land. Discover Volois (#1b). Collect 100 (\$120). Buy
 Bell Silk (100 - \$20).
 Tyrone: (6,6,6) R2B(is) Of Neutron Port)-MGS-NC6-Y-B-R-B-7(Yellow Drive--get it).
 W.U.C.H.: (5,4,5) SSP-R2B(-\$20)-NCS-NC5-B-R-TG-00-Paintfall(s). Discover Eepeeep (7b).
 Collect 100. Trade 100 & Scout for Clipper.
 W.E.R.D.: (5,2,1) Cobbleport(sc)-00-R-B-Y-B1B(lw)-R10-V10.

We'll halt here as Gizmo's orders didn't anticipate being beaten getting dirtside. Rolls for next time Gizmo (5,4,2 & 4,2,1), WDM (4,3,3 & 5,4,1), L Fuzzy (6,4,3 & 6,5,4), Tyrone (6,5,2 & 5,3,2), WUCH (3,5,3 & 4,4,4,3), and HERO (4,3,2). If all goes well, HERO will lead off in June.

Known Cultures:

- 1a: Giant Planet. Bionic Perfume(5), port(3), factory
- 1b: Water World. Bell Silk(5), port(2), factory
- 3: MultiGeneration Ship. Mulch Wine(4), port, factory
- 4a: Colony World. Finest Dust(5), port(2), factory
- 6: Space Station Planet. Immortal Grease(5), port, factory.
- 7a: Interstellar Biosphere. Chicla Liquor(5), port, factory.
- 7b: Polluted Planet. Servomechanisms(4), port(2), factory

Tyrone

Thunderbolt Immortal Greaseslapper (Sc)
 Hull: Yellow Drive
 Holds: Immortal Grease
 Cash: \$78
 IOUs: \$100(#6)

Yngvie's Universal Clearing House Profit Monger II (CI)

Hull:
 Holds: Chicla Liquor
 Cash: \$68
 IOUs: \$100(#7a)

Horizon Expanding Aphrodisiac: Deadheads (Q)

Weir (Sc)
 Hull: Shield
 Holds: Finest Dust
 Cash: \$118
 IOUs: \$60(#4a)

Gizmo
 Pacific 2-3-1 (Sc)
 Hull: Jump Start
 Holds:
 Cash: \$100
 IOUs:

We're Bell, Men

Firebreathing Ornithopter (Sc)
 Hull: Shield
 Holds: Mulch Wine (2)
 Cash: \$88

Little Fuzzy
 AT-5 Snaker (Sc)
 Hull:
 Holds: Bell Silk
 Cash: \$100

PBES:

On board the Profit Monger: Yngvie sits in the command chair and thinks. He quickly gets on the intercom with Engineering.

Yngvie: Yngvie to Engineering. Spotty, we've got to get more speed out of those engines! I want to see us getting at least a D-Factor 13 or 14 from them.

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DUNE

We Begin!



Turn 1

THE CAST

ATREIDES (Weiss): 1C, 10S, 10T @ Arrakeen
 BENE GESSERIT (Deb Osborne): 1C, 5S, 1T @ Carthage
 EMPEROR (Tsuk): 1C, 10S
 FREMEN (Morrison): 1C, 3S, 3T & 1* @ Sietch Tabr, 4T @ Falee Wall East, 3T @ Falee Wall South
 GUILD (Anderson): 1C, 5S, 5T @ Tusk's Sietch
 HARKONNEN (Bryden): 2C, 10S, 10T @ Carthage

Bryden's proposal that alliances do not automatically share each other's powers passes 3 "yes" to 1 "nay" to 2 "abstain". You may deny your ally access to your advantage only if you inform the GM in your orders. If you don't, he gets it.

TURN 1:

1. The Storm begins in Sector 18.
2. Spice blows occur at Funeral Plain(5) and Habbanya Erg(8).
3. Bidding: There are six cards available.
 E & F bid 2S, H bids 1S, E gets _____ (-2S)
 G & H bid 5S, A bids 4S, E & F bid 2S, H gets _____ & _____ (5S to E)
 B bids 3S, A, E & F bid 2S, B gets _____ (3S to E)
 A & E bid 2S, E gets _____ (-2S)
 A & E bid 2S, E gets _____ (-2S)
 F bids 2S, F gets _____ (2S to E)
4. Revival: None
5. Shipping: E ships 3T to Habbanya Ridge Flat (5S to G); B sends along 1T, H ships 4T to Habbanya Ridge Sietch (4S to G); A ships 3T to Arrakeen; B sends 1T along.
6. Movement: H moves 4T from Habbanya Ridge Sietch to Habbanya Erg.
7. Combat: Habbanya Erg: F (@ 3T & 1*) vs E (3T) vs H (4T).

Due next time are orders for Combat through Turn 2 Bidding Round. Fremmen will first battle the Emperor with the winner taking on the Harkonnen.

ATREIDES (Weiss): 1C, 2S, 7T @ Arrakeen, 11T @ Broken Land
 BENE GESSERIT (Deb Osborne): 2C, 5S, 1T @ Carthage, Arrakeen, Habbanya Ridge Flat(8) &
 EMPEROR (Tsuk): 4C, 8S, 3T @ Habbanya Erg
 FREMEN (Morrison): 2C, 1S, 1* @ Sietch Tabr, 4T @ Falee Wall East, 2T @ Falee Wall South, 3T @ Funeral Plain, 3T & 1* @ Habbanya Erg
 GUILD (Anderson): 1C, 23S, 5T @ Tusk's Sietch
 HARKONNEN (Bryden): 4C, 1S, 10T @ Carthage, 4T @ Habbanya Erg

LEGEND: * = starred token; (@) = aggressor, A = Atreides, B = Bene Gesserit, C = card, E = Emperor, F = Fremmen, G = Guild, H = Harkonnen, KH = Kwitsach Haderach, L = leaders, S = spice, s# = sector #, T = token

---"Merchant of Venus" (continued from facing page)

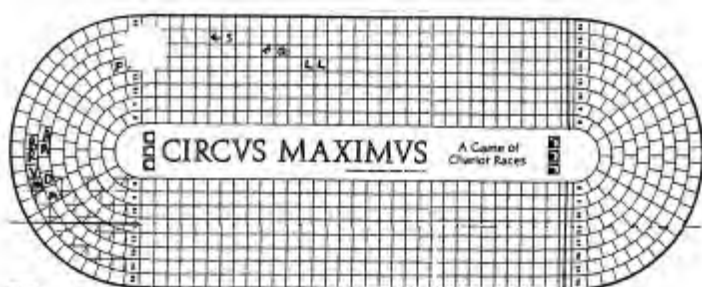
Spotty: I'm doin' all Ah cahn. Capt'n. It's jooat thah't the phase inducers are overloadin' and if Ah try to push it any further, Ah canna be held responsible for the safety O' the ship.

Yngvie: Oh, don't have a spaz, Spotty. Just get us moving faster! Bridge out.

---"Enkidu" (continued from p 8)

G1: Goltz(P); G11: Cau; G111: Hig; 1cc; G1V: LRh(2), WGa; GV1: Bra, Con(M), Gai, NAs, Pat, SAI, SAN, Wibi(C,M).
 O1V: Cry(3), Irr(2); O1V: Ein(2); O1V: Bal, Dal, Dan, Nap, SAp(c,M), Wan(C).
 P1: GLA, GP1; P11: Lin, MT1; P1V: EAs, Lev(M), Nub, PPI, UT1(M), Zag; P1V: Alb(M), BSB, CEu, CMA, Dni, NGac(M), WSH(2); P1V: Tar(M), West(M).
 R11: Cam(C), R111: Lib(F), UN1(P); R1V: Mek(C), RV1: Chet(C,M), Yun(M).
 X11: CAI, EAI, Mer, Sum(3); X1V: GFC; XV: Man, Mon, SiX, Szec(3); Yel; XVI: Ard(c,M).
 EDe(c), EGH(C,M), Pyc(C,M), Shai(M), Sib(M), WDe.
 Fleets: At1(B,G,X), B1a(O), BoB(B), EN1(R), Ind(K), Nth(B), Red(P), SCS(O), Sud(2X)

LEGEND: A = army, C = Capital, c = city, M = monument, F = fort (on land) or fleet (at sea), r-??? = retreats to ???, S = sea points, B,G,O,P,R,X = faction colors, I-VII = epoch, 2GIV = two green Epoch IV armies, 1R = one red fleet, (B,G,S - 1811) = attacker rolls 6&5 defender (Black) rolls 3 and loses one Epoch II army.



MORE HORSEMEAT FOR THE MASSES!

ODDS	COLOR	DRIVER (ODDS/EN)	CART	WOUNDS	FEAR	END	Speed	D/F
2-1	White	Angelo Amazonae (0/6)	H	0/0	6446	17	20	1/0
7-1	Purple	Sartorius (+2/9)	M	0/0	5435	19	19	1/0
8-1	Blue	Quintus (+1/6)	H	0/0	644-	23	16	1/0
9-1	Black	Flippus Maximus (+1/6)	H	0/0	5434	25	17	1/0
11-1	Red	Marcia Victoria (+1/8)	M	0/0	7436	10	21	1/0
17-1	Green	Maddus Davidus (0/5)	H	0/0	7545	12	21	1/0
22-1	Yellow	Randus Rebbus (+2/8)	H	0/0	5434	30	18	1/0
88-1	Pink	Luscious Luctus (+2/7)	H	0/0	5324	20	16	1/0

L. Luctus: 16, whip (+1 MP, -1 END) = 17. Ahead 1, out 1, ahead 3, attack Sartorius cart-horse. Sartorius falls to brake (7+2 vs 8+2) and LL inflicts (3+3 = 1 in) to S's #4 horse. Ahead 10, attack F. Maximus cart-horse. Flippus brakes (9+1 vs 5+2 -2 END). Ahead 1.
M. Davidus: 20, no whip. Attack M. Victoria cart-horse. MV evades (7+1 vs 6). Ahead 1 out 1. Attack MV cart-horse. MV falls to brake (6 vs 11); damage (4+3 = 1 injury) to MV's #1 horse. Ahead 2, in 1, ahead 14. Score 1st Egg.
Sartorius: 18(-1), no whip. Ahead 7, out 2, ahead 8, attack L. Luctus cart-horse; LL evades (10+2 vs 7+2 -1 MP used from next turn), ahead 1, in 1, attack again cart-to-horse. LL doesn't evade (5+2 vs 9+2); damage (12 = 4 in) = dead horse -3 END). Ahead 4, driver lash on A. Amazonae; AA evades (9 vs 5+2 using 1 MP from her move). Ahead 1.
M. Victoria: 20, no whip. Evaded out, ahead 3, in 2, ahead 12, out 1, ahead 2.
A. Amazonae: 20, no whip. Evaded out, ahead 3, in 2, ahead 12, out 1, ahead 11.
Quintus: 18, whips (2 MP, -2 END) = 17. Ahead 16, in 1.
R. Rebbus: 18, whip (+1 MP, -1 END) = 19. Ahead 8, out 2, ahead 8, out 1, ahead 3.
F. Maximus: 17(-1), whip (+2 MP, -2 END) = 19. Ahead 2, in 1, ahead 13, out 1, ahead 1, (corner strain 1: 12-1 = -1 END).

Due next time use orders for Turn 7. These should include the usual. The betting windows are open as this completes the 1st Lap. Place your bets now, or wait until the end of Lap 2. You have a left. Note that L. Luctus must cut his dead horse free before he can move (Rule 9.53).

ODDS	COLOR	DRIVER (ODDS/EN)	CART	WOUNDS	FEAR	END	Speed	D/F
2-1	White	Angelo Amazonae (0/6)	H	0/0	6446	15	20	1/1
7-1	Purple	Sartorius (+2/9)	M	0/0	5434	13	17	1/0
8-1	Blue	Quintus (+1/6)	H	0/0	644-	19	15	1/0
9-1	Black	Flippus Maximus (+1/6)	H	0/0	5434	22	17	1/1
11-1	Red	Marcia Victoria (+1/8)	M	0/0	7436	10	21	1/1
17-1	Green	Maddus Davidus (0/5)	H	0/0	7545	12	21	1/1
22-1	Yellow	Randus Rebbus (+2/8)	H	0/0	5434	28	18	1/1
88-1	Pink	Luscious Luctus (+2/7)	H	0/0	532-	15	12*	1/0

*Nude! out horse free.

---"Britannia" (continued from facing page)

BRIGANTES (0.5): 1A each @ Cumbria, Galloway.

PICTS (1): 1A @ Orkneys; 2A @ Alban, Dalraida, Skye; 3A @ Caithness.

CALEDONIANS (1): 2A @ Rebrides.

IRISH (2): 1A @ Atlantic.

SCOTS (2): A @ Mar, Moray, Strathclyde; 1A & Fergus @ Dunedin.

JUTES (1): 2A @ Kent.

SAXONS (2.5): 1A @ Downlands, Sussex; Wessex.

ANGLES (2): 3A @ Pennines; 2A @ York; 1A @ Atlantic, Bernicia, Lothian, Norfolk. 1R @ Frisia.

STELLAR CONQUEST

The games are presently awaiting:

FLESH GORDON--Production orders for Turn 36 and Orders for Turn 37-40.

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Please expedite your orders. The time you save is five (at most) of ours. If orders not received by next deadline, you will default to NMR orders.

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BRITANNIA

Turn 7

410-485 20



The Cast:

PURPLE: Paul Zieske
GREEN: Chuck Hanna

BLUE: David Anderson
RED: Wayne Morrison

The Board:

ROMANO-BRITISH (0): 2A @ Cheshire, March, Powys. Arthur & 2C @ ???
BELGAE (0): 1A @ Lindsey; 2A @ Norfolk.
WELSH (1.5): 1A each @ Clwyd, Cornwall, Devon; 2A @ Gwynedd; 3A @ Gwent
BRIGANTES (2): 2A each @ Cumbria, Strathclyde; Brigante leader @ ???
PICTS (1.5): 1A each @ Alban, Caithness, Skye; 2A @ Dalraida; 4A @ Orkneys.
CALEDONIANS (0.5): 2A @ Hebrides
IRISH (2): 1A @ Atlantic; Avalon; 2A @ Dyfed
SCOTS (1.0): 3A & Fergus @ Irish; 2A @ Moray; 1A @ Mar.
JUTES (0): 2A @ Kent.
SAXONS (0): 1A @ Downlands, S Mercia, Suffolk, Sussex; 2A, L @ Essex; 4A @ Frisian
ANGLES (0): 1A @ Bernicia, Lothian; 3R @ Frisian; 8A @ North

Score: Purple 55, Red 26, Blue 13, Green 6.5

TURN 7

ROMANO-BRITISH (0): Grow 2.5 Population Pt. Place Arthur & 2C @ March; 2A March-Suffolk (3.1.4; 6.5.1 -1 Sax), 2A Powys-S Mercia (3.2.3; 5.3.4 -1 Sax), 2C & Artie March-Essex (5.4.1.1 -2 Sax & Henquet). 1A Cheshire-Pennines; 1A Cheshire-March. R-Ba score 7 VP.
BELGAE (0): Grow 1.5 Population Pt. Move 2A Norfolk-Suffolk (5.1.6.4; 4.1) 1.5 -2 Bel; 1 R-B.
WELSH (1.0): Grow 2.5 Population Pt. Add 1A @ Gwent. Move 1 Gwynedd-Powys. Move 2A Gwent-Dyfed (6.4.1.3.1; 5.2.1.2 -2 Ir).
BRIGANTES (2): Grow 2 Population Pt. Add 1A @ Cumbria & Brig L to Strathclyde. Move 1A Cumbria-Galloway; 1A Cumbria to Pennines (5.5 -1 Brig).
PICTS (1.5): Grow 2.5 Population Pt. Grow 1A in Skye. Move 1A Alban-Skye and 4A Skye-Orkneys.
CALEDONIANS (0.5): Grow 0.5 Population Pt. Hold.
IRISH (1): Grow 1 Population Pt. 2A Avalon-Devon (6.4.4; 5.3.6; 1.4; 1.2; 9.5 -2 Ir); 1A Irish-Cornwall (5.5 -1 Ir).
SCOTS (0.5): Grow 1 Population Pt. MAJOR INVASION: 1A Moray-Strathclyde; 8A & L Irish-Strathclyde (5.5.5.2.4.3 -1 Scot, 2 Brig & Brig L.
JUTES (0): Grow 1 Population Pt. Hold.
SAXONS (0): Grow 2.5 Population Pt. 4A Frisian-Essex (4.5.2.2.6.6; 2.2.3.1; 5.2.1; 1.5 -4 Sax; -RB Cav). Score 1 VP.
ANGLES (0): Grow 2 Population Pt. MAJOR INVASION: 12A Frisian-York; 2A North-Dunedin (6.2.6.4; -2 Ang, 1 Scot); 1A North-Norfolk; 4A North-York-Pennines (6.2.1 1.6 -1 Ang, 1R-B); 1A North-Lothian-Strathclyde (2.6 -1 Ang).

We'll halt here, awaiting the second half of the Angles Major Invasion. Should the Angles accomplish nothing with it, this would be the post-Turn 7 scoring: Purple gets 9 VP for Dunedin(2), Essex, Mar, March, Moray, S Mercia, Strathclyde & Suffolk. Red gets 9VP for Cumbria(2), Galloway(2), Sussex(2), Wessex(2) and Downlands. Blue gets 15-VP for York(3), Bernicia(2), Lothian(2), & Norfolk(2), Alban, Caithness, Dalraida, Orkneys, Pennines & Skye. Green gets 14VP for Kent(4), Wales(9), and Caledonia. Note: unmarked lands score 1VP each

Score: Purple 71, Red 36, Blue 28, Green 20.5.

Due next time are the latter half of the Angles turn and orders for Turn 8. Players may request position updates by e-mail or telephonically, if that will help their decisions. Early movers are thus requested to expedite their orders.

Romano-British Cav lose their horses and become infantry. 1 Irish appears in the Atlantic; 1 Angle enters the North. Angles, Saxons, & Jutes have boats.

The Board (Turn 8)

ROMANO-BRITISH (2.5): 2A @ S Mercia; 1A @ March, Suffolk; Arthur & 1A @ Essex.
BELGAE (1.5): 1A @ Lindsey.

WELSH (1): 3A @ Dyfed; 1A each @ Clwyd, Cornwall, Devon, Gwent, Gwynedd & Powys.
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On Deck

- 1829: Zieske(S), Chinnery(N), Wordelmann, Quist, Farrow(B). Could take 4 more.
- 1830: Next game to be GM'ed by Mark Fruch; Butitta signed up. Alternates Chinnery, Fruch, Tsuk, Wordelmann & Hanna. Puffenberger & Zieske for 'Conflicts', Weiss any variation.
- 1835: Chinnery and Farrow signed up for any variant. Alternates Fruch, Tsuk & Wordelmann.
- BRITANNIA: Hanna
- BOURSE: 'Aida-Cher' closed. "Baldhome" has continuous openings. "Clearwine" begins with "Boris IX"; Rules this issue; Chinnery signed up.
- CIVILIZATION: Carbonneau, Morrison, Weiss, D&D Osborne, Fruch, M Klausutis, TJ Klausutis.
- DIPLOMACY: J Shacklett, R Fisher, TJ Klausutis. Alternates Carbonneau, Ford, Franz, Fruch, Morrison, Tsuk, B Wilson
- DOWN WITH THE KING: Butitta, Campisano, D&D Osborne. Would like 1 to 4 more.
- DUNE: Fisher, Melnick, TJ Klausutis.
- HISTORY OF THE WORLD: Asfeld, Oleks, Hanna
- KINGMAKER: Carbonneau, D & D Osborne, Melnick, M Klausutis
- KREMLIN: Campisano.
- LIFTOFF: York, Butitta, Campisano
- MAGIC REALM: Carbonneau, Chinnery, D&D Osborne, Cameron, Butitta, M Klausutis
- MAHARAJA: Cameron, Morrison, Tsuk
- MERCHANT OF VENUS: Puffenberger, Osburne, Butitta
- TITAN: Carbonneau, D&D Osborne
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